THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Commercial production of the drug is beiqg scaled up by M/s Hindustan Latex Ltd. and M/s Torrent Pharmaceuticals, Ahmedabad.

Government is preparing for distribution and use of this drug in its Family Planning Programme.

Unemployed doctors in India

975. SHRI SHABBIR AHMAD SALARIA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the State/District/Tehsil-wise break up of MBBS/MD/MS unemployed doctors in the country in the year 1988, 1989, 1990 and 1991;

(b) what are the reasons for their being unemployed; and

(c) what steps are being taken to check the unemployment of Doctors?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARA DEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) The available information is in the attached statement. *(See* below).

(b) and (c) No study has been done in this regard. The Central Government does not have any special scheme to provide employment to qualified doctors except for normal vacancies arising out of the retirement migration abroad or normal increase of posts from time *to* time in Government Organisations. However, it is felt that the unemployment amongst doctors is not a real problem as there are vast opportunities of self employment in rural areas, registration in employment exchange is generally done to obtain Government jobs or jobs in better places.

Statement

Number of Graduates (.including post-graduates) in Medicine on the Live Register of Employment exchanges in the country as at the end of 19SS, 1989 *and* 1990 *June)*

SI.No	State/Union Territorries	No. of Live Register as at the end of		
		1988	1989	1991 (June)
1	2	3	4	5
1	Andhra Pradesh	3020	2537	2661
2	Arunachal Pradesh.	1		
3	Assam	96	224	190
4	Bihar	1354	1314	1283
5	Goa	173	217	228
6	Gujarat	688	635	513
6	Haryana	658	874	963
7	Himachal Pradesh	238	205	220
9	Jammu and Kashmir	33	38	23

1	2	3	4	5
10	Karnataka	762	826	863
11	Kerala	1368	2179	2079
12	Madhya Pradesh	1070	658	760
13	Maharashtra	3520	3794	3951
14	Manipur	149	1130	99
15	Meghalaya .	1	2	4
16	Mezoram	5	11	3
17	Nagaland			
18	Orissa .	1202	1430	1083
19	Punjab .	240	274	323
20	Rajasthan	1239	1861	1831
21	Sikkim			
22	Tamil Nadu	1901	3729	3729
23	Tripura	17	17	11
24	Utttar Pradesh	1492	1348	1285
25	West Bengal	2648	3443	3443
	UNION TERRITORIES			
1	Andaman and Nicrobar Island	1	3	9
2	Chandigarh	669	731	721
3	Dadra and Nagar Haveli	7	7	7
4	Delhi	4101	3977	3738
5	Daman and Diu			
6	Lakshadweep	7	7	7
	Pondicherry . . .	326	398	420
	TOTAL:	27286	30869	30447

NOTE:—1 No Employment Exchange is functioning in this State. 2 **Date not maintained. Nurses in Govt Hospitals

976. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WEI FARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the number of nurses in the Government Hospitals is quite inadequate as compared to the number of patients;

(b) whether it is also a fact that there is a great disparity in the number of nurses available for service in urban areas as compared to rural areas: and

(c) if so, what steps are being taken to reduce this disparity to increase the number of nurses to meet the requirements?